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**REMARKS** 

Claims 1-27 were subject to restriction. Applicants elect Group III herein without

traverse and in doing so, cancel non-elected claims 1-25 and 27. Applicants reserve the right

to pursue non-elected material upon subsequent prosecution.

Claim 26 is amended for formalities only. New claims 28-49 are submitted herein

finding support in the original claims. No new matter is entered herein.

Applicants were instructed by the Examiner to elect species for the adjuvant for

Group III, and Applicants elect imidazoquinoline amine. Furthermore, Applicants herein

submit new claims dependent from elected claim 26 of Group III that are analogous to the

dependent claims in non-elected Group I; therefore, Applicants assume that an election for a

nucleotide species is required and herein elect Gag (p17, p24) codon optimized RT codon

optimized Nef truncate.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is

believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is

respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response other than the fee for the Petition

for Extension of Time of One Month. However, if another fee is due, please charge our

Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. HO-P03173US0 from which the undersigned

is authorized to draw.

Dated: August 31, 2007

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